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Michigan Education Information System (MEIS)

Single Record Student Database (SRSD)

Data Field Descriptions Addendum for Field 34: Homeless

This addendum applies to the End-of-Year (EOY) 2008

Collection Only

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Summary of Edits

The information contained in this addendum should be used to replace Field 34: Homeless in the **SRSD Data Field Descriptions** for the Spring and End-of-Year 2008 submissions.

Please note the changes to the definition and instructions for Field 34: Homeless. Students who experience any period of homelessness during the current school year should be reported with the code representing the most frequent primary nighttime residence used by the student beginning with the collection period in which the student first becomes homeless. If the student regains permanent housing during the school year, continue to report the code that best represents the student's most frequent primary nighttime residence in all future collections for the school year.

This addendum replaces pages 76 - 77 of the SRSD Data Field Descriptions for Spring/End-of-Year 2008.

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Field 34: Homeless

Submission cycle: Fall, spring and end of year

Field use: School Aid Act, MCL 388.1763a; McKinney-Vento Homeless

Assistance Act, 42 USC 11431; NCLB, 20 USC 7824, 20 USC 6311, 20 USC 6315, 20 USC 7112, 20 USC 7251, 20 USC 7824;

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Field specification: One-character

Record position/type: 349, integer

Code/format: The type of temporary residence/shelter the student is in (N).

Homeless shelter
 Youth shelter
 Victim shelter
 Doubled-up
 Motal/hotal

5 Motel/hotel6 Other location

7 Temporary arrangement

8 Unknown

Dependencies with other fields: Field 13: Street Address, Field 14: Name or City of Town, Field 15:

Zip Code, and Field 31: Supplemental Nutrition

Programming edits: Error check to ensure a valid code is in this field and not out of range. Error check to ensure that if Field 13: Street Address, Field 14: Name of City or Town, or Field 15: Zip Code is blank, then this field must contain a valid code. Error check that if this field contains a valid code, Field 31: Supplemental Nutrition contains code "1". (Note: a fatal error will occur in Field 31 if this field contains a valid code and Field 31 does not contain code "1".)

No fatal errors.

Warning: A warning is issued when the field contains an invalid value.

Warning message: An invalid number was encountered. Please verify the value is between one and eight, inclusive.

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Definition: For a student enrolled in your district who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate residence, identify his/her most frequent primary nighttime residence.

- 1 Homeless shelter
- 2 Youth shelter
- 3 Victim shelter
- 4 Doubled-up
- 5 Motel/hotel
- 6 Other location
- 7 Temporary arrangement
- 8 Unknown

Each homeless student's data in the SRSD should reflect any changes in status that have occurred since the previous submission. A student who is reported as homeless in the fall SRSD, for example, who is no longer homeless in the spring, would not be reported as homeless for the spring submission.

A student who becomes homeless for any period of time within the school year is eligible for all homeless services for the entire school year. The data reported in this field should indicate the homeless student's most frequent primary nighttime residence during the period of time covered by the collection.

When a student regains permanent housing, the code represents the most frequent primary nighttime residence during the duration of homelessness.

Please note that according to legislation the homeless student who becomes "housed" during the school year and therefore no longer meets the requirements for "homeless" in the SRSD, remains eligible for all services until the end of the school year. This includes free lunch eligibility.

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